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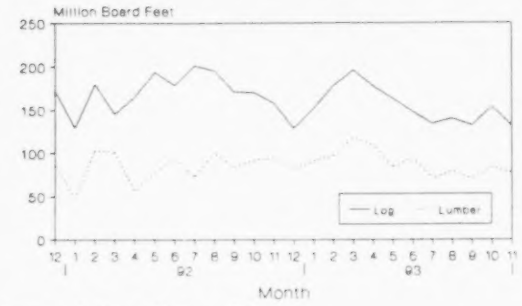
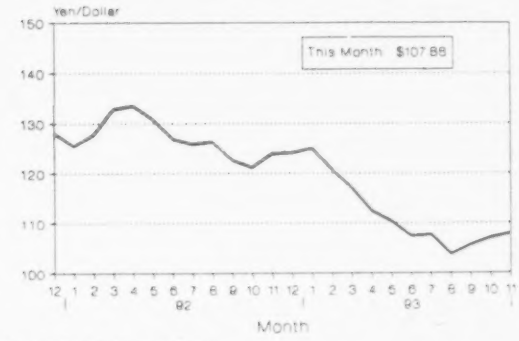
A Fact Sheet on U.S. Wood Product Exports to the Pacific Rim *Issued: February 1994*

Exports to Japan
Softwood Logs & Lumber



Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, FAS

Japanese Yen/U.S. Dollar



Source: Federal Reserve Board

Value of Hardwood Lumber Exports to the Pacific Rim

Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, FAS

Value of All Wood Products Exports to the Pacific Rim

Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, FAS

Total U.S. Exports to the Pacific Rim ($000)

Country Markets	Nov.	% Change Month	YTD	% Change YTD	Product Groups	Nov.	% Change Month	YTD	% Change YTD
Japan	228,839	(13.3)	2,940,675	17.1	Softwood Logs	132,610	(11.1)	1,998,283	19.2
China	3,163	(34.5)	102,179	(5.7)	Softwood Lumber	47,023	(16.5)	670,481	25.3
Korea	22,697	80.3	350,436	23.0	Hardwood Logs	7,043	85.7	78,014	22.2
Taiwan	12,934	(10.8)	163,662	4.9	Hardwood Lumber	22,452	5.1	262,677	16.2
Australia	1,318	(59.7)	91,505	27.2	Hardwood Veneer	4,007	6.9	40,017	20.1
Hong Kong	3,170	6.3	32,118	15.3	Particleboard	1,153	(28.6)	20,048	(24.9)
Singapore	964	2.4	13,279	12.7	Other	58,796	(12.4)	624,331	2.4
TOTAL	$273,086	(9.9)	$3,693,853	16.5	TOTAL	$273,086	(9.9)	$3,693,853	16.5

Notes: (1) Sources are USDA Foreign Agriculture Service & Dept. of Commerce unless noted otherwise.
(2) Percent changes from/to zero (or minimum) values are noted by *.
(3) Because of new HS classifications, certain year-to-year changes are not meaningful and, thus, are noted with an NA.

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U.S. Exports To:

		VOLUME				VALUE-$000			
		Nov.	% Change Month	YTD	% Change YTD	Nov.	% Change Month	YTD	% Change YTD
JAPAN	Softwood Logs - MBF	131,278	(14.4)	1,703,764	(9.8)	120,100	(15.1)	1,684,442	21.6
	Softwood Lumber - MBF	77,113	(8.5)	975,880	5.8	44,243	(16.4)	560,787	23.1
	Hardwood Logs - MBF	2,985	86.2	27,700	17.9	4,980	*	48,517	29.5
	Hardwood Lumber - MBF	8,046	(13.2)	108,748	6.5	11,365	(5.4)	141,252	14.5
	Hardwood Veneer (MSF 1/8)	11,483	8.1	116,553	8.3	1,322	(1.7)	13,472	(2.5)
	Particleboard (MSF 3/4)	321	(53.7)	5,951	(42.7)	71	(50.0)	1,974	(14.8)
	Other					46,758	(13.4)	490,229	(0.7)
	Subtotal					228,839	(13.3)	2,940,675	17.1
KOREA	Softwood Logs - MBF	15,075	*	266,767	(28.3)	8,732	*	195,228	17.9
	Softwood Lumber - MBF	1,061	149.5	25,809	22.9	769	*	17,354	40.9
	Hardwood Logs - MBF	553	58.2	11,227	23.1	1,023	45.5	15,267	23.5
	Hardwood Lumber - MBF	2,354	28.8	22,225	24.9	3,130	19.9	28,499	44.8
	Hardwood Veneer (MSF 1/8)	10,626	10.9	86,593	55.4	1,301	9.4	11,909	42.1
	Particleboard (MSF 3/4)	2,625	61.8	29,639	(48.1)	459	(39.4)	9,250	(25.9)
	Other					7,283	15.5	72,922	35.2
	Subtotal					22,697	80.3	350,436	23.0
CHINA	Softwood Logs - MBF	4,195	(35.5)	124,537	(36.8)	2,200	(42.9)	92,322	(9.3)
	Softwood Lumber - MBF	75	*	685	(88.6)	65	*	353	(86.6)
	Hardwood Logs - MBF	75	(15.0)	1,258	83.3	166	(19.4)	1,617	*
	Hardwood Lumber - MBF	25	(72.0)	1,332	(2.1)	35	(59.8)	1,394	48.9
	Hardwood Veneer (MSF 1/8)	108	(85.0)	2,684	*	11	(87.8)	265	*
	Particleboard (MSF 3/4)	62	*	105	5.1	10	*	32	18.5
	Other					676	14.4	6,195	*
	Subtotal					3,163	(34.5)	102,179	(5.7)
TAIWAN	Softwood Logs - MBF	3,161	(31.8)	35,075	2.0	1,578	(46.7)	26,178	25.2
	Softwood Lumber - MBF	3,125	22.8	22,622	15.9	1,010	(16.0)	11,413	46.3
	Hardwood Logs - MBF	490	(16.0)	7,715	10.1	759	(13.5)	11,825	13.1
	Hardwood Lumber - MBF	5,947	2.8	75,038	(4.9)	5,581	13.0	69,042	4.1
	Hardwood Veneer (MSF 1/8)	7,178	99.9	79,213	52.6	914	*	9,230	47.9
	Particleboard (MSF 3/4)	2,099	(8.7)	33,535	(32.3)	518	(7.7)	7,133	(12.4)
	Other					2,574	(27.7)	28,841	(20.4)
	Subtotal					12,934	(10.8)	163,662	4.9
AUSTRALIA	Softwood Logs - MBF	0	*	82	(86.6)	0	*	60	(80.5)
	Softwood Lumber - MBF	960	(59.4)	108,506	4.6	659	(61.0)	78,282	41.0
	Hardwood Logs - MBF	12	*	232	(54.7)	11	*	201	(79.4)
	Hardwood Lumber - MBF	93	(44.3)	2,071	(25.1)	130	(48.8)	2,983	(23.4)
	Hardwood Veneer (MSF 1/8)	561	(78.7)	6,911	(51.8)	82	(76.6)	955	(51.2)
	Particleboard (MSF 3/4)	0	*	76	(86.8)	0	*	39	(86.7)
	Other					436	(54.5)	8,986	(0.5)
	Subtotal					1,318	(59.7)	91,505	27.2

Japanese Market Data

Imports -Thousand Cubic Meters	Nov.	Oct.	% Change Month	YTD	% Change YTD	U.S. Import Market Share YTD (%)
Softwood Logs	1,116	1,219	(8.4)	13,587	(1.7)	51.5
Softwood Lumber	728	626	16.3	8,214	19.5	23.1
Hardwood Logs	729	782	(6.7)	8,082	(19.6)	1.4
Hardwood Lumber	158	183	(13.4)	1,621	14.4	16.1

	Nov.	Oct.	% Change Month	YTD	% Change YTD	Wooden Structures YTD %
Housing Starts-000	131.1	134.5	(2.5)	1,359.8	6.0	47.2

Source: Japan Wood Products Information & Research Center